



Civil Air Patrol, Delaware Wing Training Document TD-002: DeIDOT Flights



The Delaware Department of Transportation (“DeIDOT”) utilizes the services of Delaware Wing, Civil Air Patrol on a daily basis to provide observation of specific traffic areas. Throughout the year, northern flights are performed twice a day Monday through Friday over the high traffic areas of I-95, I-495, Rt. 301, Rt. 896, and Rt. 1, among others. During the summer months, between Memorial Day and Labor Day, flights over Sussex County are performed on Friday evening and Sunday afternoon over high traffic areas such as Rt. 1, Rt. 16, Rt. 113, and Rt. 54. The purpose of these flights is to provide DeIDOT with reconnaissance of traffic patterns and reporting on events such as excessive delays, disabled vehicles, and accidents.

Aircrews during these flights consist of a pilot and a reporter. Any CAP pilot who holds a current Mission Pilot rating is eligible to be a pilot on a DeIDOT sortie. Reporters may be any member who holds an MP, MO, or MS rating. It is permissible for the reporter to be in training for any of those ratings; however, a member’s CAPF 101 must show, at a minimum, training status as a Mission Scanner. If the member’s CAPF 101 does not show at least a training status as a Mission Scanner, then the member cannot participate as a reporter.

Members are able to use DeIDOT sorties as “Mission Participation” sorties for the MS qualification. This can be for initial qualification sorties, or requalification sorties. If a reporter plans on using the flight as a participation sortie for Mission Scanner, the pilot **must** be SET qualified for MS. DeIDOT flights may NOT be used as “mission participation” sorties for Mission Observer.

A third person may accompany the pilot and reporter on a DeIDOT flight. However, just as with the reporter, the third person occupying the rear seat **must** be at least in training status for Mission Scanner, and that must be shown on the member’s CAPF 101.